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Discussion on the IATF-Yolanda Permanent Housing Project within Busuanga Pasture Reserve 10 December 2021

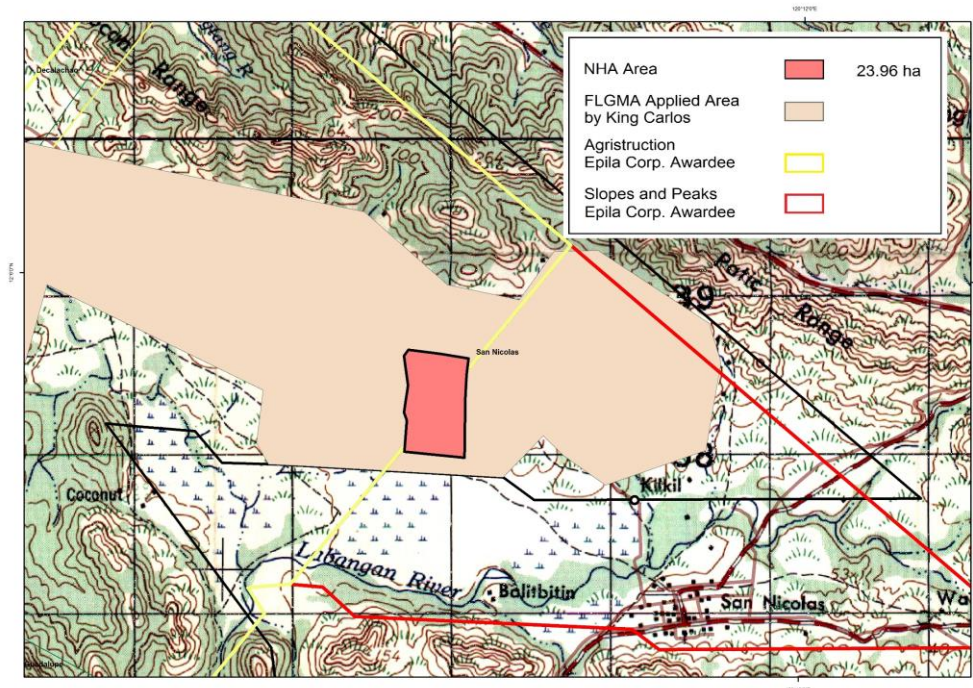
Discussion Points

- Background pertaining to the IATF-Yolanda Permanent Housing Project within Busuanga Pasture Reserve;
- Highlights of the IATF-Yolanda Special Meeting last 22 October 2021;
- Letter response of NHA re: letter of FMB to hold in abeyance the construction of housing units within BPR;
- Updates from DENR MIMAROPA re: conduct of investigation pertaining to the title issued within BPR
- Upcoming IATF Yolanda meeting on 14 December 2021
- Ways forward
- Other matters

Background

Based on the submitted documents from NHA Regional Office (Palawan) and Front Nine Konstruct:

- Subject site is accordingly a titled property
- Containing an area of 23.9605 hectares
- Originally covered by OCT No. G-6688 pursuant to Homestead with Patent No. 2903 in the name of Mariano Celedonio (now in the name of the Heirs of Mariano Celedonio represented by Eleuteria Celedonio)
- Issued on 01 July 1949
- The said property was later transferred to Villarino Celedonio under TCT No. T-8335 dated 07 March 1984.



Antecedents

Agreements during the IATF Yolanda Meeting (22 October 2021)

- a. NHA to provide the IATF Yolanda the copy of technical descriptions of the project sites located in the UPF such as Culion, Busuanga, Linapacan, and Agutaya;
- b. All the technical reports should be coursed through proper channels from the CENRO Coron-Calamianes Islands to facilitate the implementation of the Yolanda housing project; and
- c. **An investigation pertaining to the issuance of land title despite of land classification of the project site in Coron should be conducted by the DENR.**

After IATF Meeting on 22 October 2021

- On 11 November 2021, as a way forward during the IATF Yolanda Special Meeting, a draft Memorandum was forwarded to the RED of DENR MIMAROPA on the conduct of investigation pertaining to the land classification of Yolanda Housing Projects within the Busuanga Pasture Reserve.
 - On even date, a letter was sent to the General Manager of the National Housing Authority (NHA) including the Front Nine Konstruct, requesting to hold in abeyance the construction of the housing units until such time the authenticity and legality of the issued title has been proven.
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After IATF Meeting on 22 October 2021

- On 12 November 2021, an email from the IATF-Yolanda Project Monitoring Office was received by the FMB pertaining to the inquiry on the Memorandum of the PENR Officer Palawan to CENR Officer CENRO Calamianes Islands on the requirements on the classification of Unclassified Public Forest to Alienable and Disposable Lands.

TCT No. 8335 enjoys its character as a private landholding regardless of its land classification status until after it is cancelled through Court Proceedings. Furthermore, since the identification of the resettlement sites are legally authorized, the survey plan is duly approved, there is no other documentary and processing requirement needed other than the approval of its classification or reclassification to Alienable and Disposable area now as agricultural land.

After IATF Meeting on 22 October 2021

- On 16 November 2021, a letter from the Director-Designate for Operations of the Palawan Council for Sustainable Development (PCSD) Staff was received by the FMB.
 - Acknowledged the receipt of copy of the letter request of FMB to hold in abeyance the housing project within the BPR.
 - PCSD did not receive any application for ECAN Zoning Certification and/or SEP Clearance for the said housing project.
 - On 17 November 2021, a letter sent to the Assistant Secretary for Policy, Planning and Foreign-Assisted and Special Projects, and FMB Director, in concurrent capacity was received by the FMB from the General Manager of National Housing Authority (NHA) endorsing the land use conversion/reclassification from the original use of land for the utilization of the proposed housing project in Brgy. San Nicolas, Coron, Palawan.
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